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What To Do June 7th

June 7th is Commencement at Berea! There will be 2,000 people in the great Tabernacle, and twice as many more under the great trees of the campus, moving about to see the Library, Chapel Tower, Fireside Industries, Farm Machinery, and Industrial Exhibits.

The "show" begins at 8:10 with the grand procession from Ladies Hall to the Tabernacle. All the forenoon the student exercises go forward in the Tabernacle.

First, the Vocational students with exhibitions of farm work, carpentry, women's work and the like.

Then the Normal students, telling what we should do for our children and the public schools.

And then the College students with speeches about politics, science, religion, and the progress of the world.

At the end of each hour a cannon is fired and a piece of music brought on, and those who are tired sitting in the Tabernacle pass out while others waiting at the doors pass in.

The great hour is at 12 o'clock when the actual graduation takes place. The prize Bibles are distributed and the graduating classes, one after another, march upon the platform to receive their diplomas and degrees.

At that hour everyone who can possibly find standing room in the Tabernacle should be there.

Then there is a lunch on the grass and at half-past one the Tabernacle is filled again to hear speeches from distinguished men. Dr. Bodie will be there from Kansas, and Dr. Goss, the famous optimist, from Cincinnati.

The thing to do June 7th is to come to Commencement!

IN OUR OWN STATE

Banks in Hopkinsville have agreed to furnish cash with which to improve Christian county roads that the \$100,000 bonds issued for the purpose may be held until the money market is better.

Reform in dress of young girls was urged on the mothers of the State by the Federation of Woman's Clubs at Maysville. The club women maintained that immodest dress has much to do with the downfall of women.

Kentucky's tax laws were classed as obsolete and of such character as to furnish holders of intangible property to poverty or perjury by W. O. Davis, member of the old tax commission appointed by Gov. McCreary, speaking before the new tax commission named by Gov. Stanley at Lexington, Monday.

Twenty-two business men and farmers of Ohio county were made defendants in a \$25,000 suit, filed in the United States Court at Owensboro by E. A. Goodall, former constable of that county, who charges that the defendants, as members of a band of "possum hunters," terrorized him and forced him to abandon his business, surrender his office and flee from the county for safety. He now resides in Cincinnati.

\$50,000 Damage Suit.

The \$50,000 damage suit of Bert McDowell against the Bond-Foley Lumber Company was tried in the Federal Court, at London this week. McDowell, while in the employ of the Bond-Foley Company, fell from their log train, and was badly injured. His left arm and leg, and part of his right hand, were cut off, several ribs torn from the spinal column and in other ways was badly injured. Mr. N. U. Bond, president of the company, offered McDowell \$5,000 as a compromise, which he refused, but through his attorney, Jackson Morris, filed suit for \$50,000. The jury gave McDowell \$4,500 or \$500 less than he was offered on a compromise. Attorneys C. C. Williams and H. J. Johnson were the attorneys for the Bond-Foley Company.—Mt. Vernon Signal.

The Ginseng King.

Less than six years ago Bristol Taylor, then a poorly paid young public school teacher near Whitesburg, Letcher county, set out a small plot of land in ginseng. He kept extending it. A day or so ago Taylor brought 743 pounds of dry ginseng from his Rockhouse Creek ginseng farm here for shipment to New York dealers for which he will receive in return \$3,800 in cash, and that, too, from a plot of a little less than an acre. Besides Mr. Taylor will sell a considerable quantity of seed taken from the seng, so remunerative is the culture of ginseng.

Mr. Taylor plans the setting of about two acres additional this year, and will make other increases in his seng farm back in the Rockhouse Creek mountains. He has built model roadways from his home to the settlements in the Roadhouse Creek valley; has built a splendid home and is now independent alone from his ginseng garden, one of the largest in the Kentucky mountains.—The Mountaineer.

should give such good advice relative to your health or property you would pay a neat little sum. You get all this information for the one-fifty-second part of a dollar and every thing else thrown in. Aren't you happy that you belong to The Citizen family?

The third chapter of Mr. Van Winkle's story of the Civil War appears on page five of this issue. Many have found these stories quite interesting; especially those living in the section of the country where it all happened. You will always find something worth while in these columns.

Last year we had the pleasure of eating all the good, delicious strawberries that we could get on the outside of in a prosperous Rockcastle county home. Miss Moore's article this week reminds us of that event. Why not try out some of the good things she tells about?

Why put off sending in your subscription? You are robbing yourself of many a pleasure that you would quarrel over were the other fellow to blame. We are doing all in our power, won't you do yours?

U. S. NEWS

Nine persons were killed and thirty-eight injured when a tornado wiped Kemp City, Okla., off the map Saturday night. One child was buried 500 feet with flying debris, but escaped with only minor injuries.

Washington is greatly pleased at the German order to its consuls in America to see that no German violates any of the laws in the State in which he lives.

The fight this week to remove the church ban against dancing, theater-going and card playing is expected to overshadow all other business to come before the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session at Saratoga Springs.

The House Naval Committee last Thursday approved the Naval Preparedness Bill, calling for an appropriation of \$240,000,000 the largest sum in history, but did not agree to the five-year building programme of the Administration.

Working hard, the House last week passed the Flood Control, Rural Credits, Army and Government Shipping Bills, while the Senate, was held in a filibuster over the Rivers and Harbors Appropriation Bill. A movement is on foot in the Senate to make all future executive sessions open.

A \$3,000,000 Appropriation Is Urged For Purchase of Mountains Lands For Parks in North Carolina.

Gov. L. Craig joined George S. Powell of Asheville, secretary of the Appalachian Park Association, in an effort to work up interest in the passage of an appropriation of \$3,000,000 to continue the purchase of forest lands in the Appalachian range in Western North Carolina.

They completed arrangements for securing a herd of twenty-five elk to be placed in Pisgah national forest.

A suitable enclosure will be made in which to keep this herd and later it is planned to place a herd of buffalo in the same forest. This boundary is the land which was originally developed by George W. Vanderbilt, who constructed an automobile road to the summit of Mount Pisgah. The enclosure for the elk and buffalo will be near this road.

It is planned to extend this road through the Pink Beds, making a wonderfully attractive scenic road through beautiful forests, with the greatest selection of small and large game to be found east of the Mississippi. Among other plans being worked out is one to open up the National forest of the Southern Appalachian Mountains to prospectors for minerals and Congressman Webb of North Carolina has introduced a bill in the House which provides for issuing permits by the Secretary of Agriculture for this purpose.

The Appalachian Park Association is planning to organize camping parties from the various student bodies of the south, for the purpose of prospecting in the southern Appalachian mountains and has made application for the co-operation of the department of agriculture in this work.—Sylvan Valley News.

SWEPT BY TORNADO

TOWN LAID WASTE—NINE LIVES SNUFFED OUT AND 38 ARE INJURED

When Tornado Levels Kemp City, Okla.—Dead Picked Up Hundreds of Yards From Scene.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Denison, Texas.—Nine persons were killed and 38 injured, and Kemp City, Okla., eight miles east of Denison, was destroyed by a tornado which swept a path three quarters of a mile wide and five miles long in the Kemp City section. Only three small dwellings remain standing at Kemp City. Twelve business houses, a two-story hotel and 60 residences were demolished in Kemp City. This is the second time in recent years that the little town of 300 inhabitants has been visited by a tornado. Merchants said that the town probably would not be rebuilt. Eight were killed in the town, while the other victim, a child, was killed in the collapse of its father's home just across the Red River in Texas. Of the 38 persons injured, 26 are residents of Kemp City. Two

U. S. TROOPS BACK ON TEXAS SOIL

Col. Sibley's Force Returns From Mexico.

BRING FOUR PRISONERS

Two American Troopers Are Fired Upon by Mexicans While Swimming In the Rio Grande—No Defection Among Carranza Soldiers.

El Paso, Tex., May 23.—Having completed their work in Mexico, the troops comprising the second American punitive expedition sent into Mexico, are now back on Texas soil, the last of the command having recrossed the Rio Grande at Boquillas.

According to Colonel Sibley, who commands the expedition, the American forces chased the bandits over 120 miles into Mexico, rescued Jesse Deemer and two employees who had been carried prisoners into Mexico, and scattered the bandits until further successful pursuit was impossible.

Troops of both Colonel Sibley and Major George T. Langborne are now at Boquillas, according to a dispatch received here. Colonel Sibley brought with him to this side four Mexican prisoners, who were captured by Lieutenant Crammer in a running fight near San Anita, Coahuila, ten days ago. There were two other prisoners, captured at the same time, but these had been so badly wounded in the fight that they were left at El Paso by Major Langborne. It was believed they will die.

According to arrivals from Boquillas there is no truth in the report that the expedition had been menaced by Yaqui Indians.

The report emanated from a message sent by the war department to Colonel Sibley several days ago, advising him that a band of Yaqui Indians had left Cuatro Ciengras for Boquillas on the Mexican side. The report originated with a man who came out of Mexico at Eagle pass and made the declaration that the Indians were headed north for the Sibley column, bent upon driving it out of Mexico. In Juarez it is asserted officially that there are no Yaqui troops in eastern Mexico.

Confirmation was received here of a report that two United States troopers, while swimming in the Rio Grande, near Deemer's ford, were fired at five times from the Mexican side. The soldiers, neither wounded, scrambled for their rifles to return the fire, but the puffs of smoke which had marked the Mexican's place of concealment had drifted away.

Investigation of the reported defection of two Carranza generals south of Juarez disproved the story. General Gabriel Gavira, of the Juarez garrison, said:

"The weak point in the story to the effect that Generals Castro and Chavez, alleged subofficers of Gen. Jacinto Trevino had revolted, is that there are no such officers in General Trevino's command."

PEACE MUST COME THROUGH VICTORY

German Proposals Will Be Rejected Now.

BRAND ISSUES STATEMENT

Kaiser's Agents Are Reported Busy In Spain and Other Neutral Countries Urging Efforts Be Made to End the War.

Washington, May 23.—The statement of Premier Brand of France that "peace must not result from diplomatic intrigue, but only come through a decisive allied victory," is regarded by officials here as a final and definite answer to Germany's peace suggestions, which have been communicated officially and semi-officially to the United States.

The French prime minister makes it clear that all peace proposals from Germany will be summarily rejected. It is expected here. The efforts of Germany to enlist the sympathies of President Wilson toward a move for peace are characterized as "diplomatic intrigues," which will not be allowed to affect the entente allies in their future conduct of the war.

The premier's statement has now made it clear why President Wilson has declined to offer his services as a mediator in the war at the present time. It shows, likewise, officials say, why the president does not say, "Why the president does not say," (Continued on page five.)

WORLD NEWS

Early in the week reports came that the expedition against the Big Bend bandits had been withdrawn; but at the same time members of the Sixth Cavalry from Gen. Pershing's base were dispatched into that territory to quell a band of Yaqui Indians who have been menacing our troops.

A force of Russian cavalry joined the British forces fighting against the Turks on the Tigris. Just how the Russians effected this important move is not yet made known. One of the main objectives of the Russian army in Asiatic Turkey is achieved in part by the union.

Late reports state that the Italians have met with severe defeat by the Austrians, having been driven from their entire position on Lavaronne plateau, and that it is becoming serious. Vienna asserts that since the beginning of the offensive the Austrians have taken more than 24,000 prisoners and much war material.

Jeremiah C. Lynch, the American, who has been in the custody of the English authorities and sentenced to be put to death for taking part in the Irish revolt, was granted a term of imprisonment for 10 years instead of the death penalty.

The Paris official statement says that the French have penetrated Fort Douaumont, northeast of Verdun, which the Germans stormed and captured February 25, and from which all attempts to drive them had been futile. The Germans still hold the northern part of Fort Douaumont. The Germans have also been forced from ground south of Hill 287 and west of Le Mort Homme.

TEUTONS PIERCE BRITISH LINES

Deal Serious Blow by Taking Several Trenches.

FRENCH GAIN SUCCESSES

Austrians Menace Northern Italy in the Trentino Region—Italians Prove Belief Attack Will Not Be Successful—Lines Are Reinforced.

London, May 23.—The German left wing on the Anglo-Teuton line in the west dealt a serious blow to the solidarity of the British front by penetrating, according to official admission by the British war office, the British first line trenches on a front of 1,500 yards to a depth varying between 100 and 300 yards, at the north of Vimy ridge, about half way between Loos and Arras.

The German war office in its official statement reports the capture of several lines of British trenches over a front of two kilometers, near Givenchy-En-Gobelle, which lies to northwest of the Vimy ridge.

The sudden German drive to the northwest of Vimy ridge was evidently undertaken to outflank the British, who recently gained possession of the ridge, where mine crater operations have been going on ever since.

The most successful counter attack yet undertaken by the French at Verdun ushered in the fourth month of the huge battle for the great barrier fortress. As a result, French troops stand once more in part of Ft. Douaumont, Verdun's northernmost outer fortification, which fell into German hands ninety days ago.

Along a front about two kilometers, between the Thiaumont farm and a point east of Douaumont fort, the French rushed forward in a furious assault, breaking down the German resistance on the whole line of attack, capturing German trenches and taking numerous prisoners. The Germans, the war office admits, still hold the northern part of Douaumont fort. The attack was preceded by a powerful and sustained artillery bombardment.

On the left bank of the river, the defenders of Verdun achieved a similar success, their infantry in a new counter attack wresting from the Germans part of new trenches recently taken by them west of Dead Man Hill. Further progress also was made by the French south of Hill 287, where the Teutons were ejected from small earthworks, captured by them four days ago.

The fourth attack was launched by (Continued on Page Five)

Memorial Day's Lesson

"That we here highly resolve that these dead have not died in vain. * * * * * That government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth"

Lincoln

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We call particular attention to the sale of Jackson County road bonds advertised in this issue. Jackson County citizens mean business and are alive to the issues of these forward times. We recall having been at a good roads meeting within the past year in Jackson county where there was no little opposition to the movement. We are glad to see this faction defeated and the good work going on. Go to it boys and make a good job of it.

Memorial Day is always one that appeals to our patriotism when we see the veterans, now born down with age, pay tribute their fallen comrades. They deserve our respect and we should honor them and regard this 30th day of May and learn the true meaning of it. Note we have given much space in this issue to the significance of the day.

Many farmers are being bothered with crawfish this year. County agent Spence has a splendid article in his column this week which ought to help many a farmer out of his trouble. If a doctor or lawyer